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1. DEPARTMENT BELIEVES EMBASSY SHOULD MAKE DEMARCHE ON
AND ASK FOR EXPLANATION OF SEEGER VISA REFUSAL. DCM
SHOULD MAKE KNOWN TO ZANTOVSKY OUR SURPRISE AND
DISAPPOINTMENT, ALONG LINES SUGGESTED IN STATE 293918,
PARAGRAPH 3.

2. DEPT OFFICER RAISED VISA REFUSAL WITH CZECHOSLOVAK
CULTURAL COUNSELOR SOLECKY DEC 6. SOLECKY SEEMED
CZECH EMBASSY HERE HAD CABLED "RECOMMENDATION" FOR SEEGER
VISA TO PRAGUE.

3. IF CZECHOSLOVAKS UPHOLD SEEGER REFUSAL, DEPARTMENT
PLANS A RECIPROCAL REFUSAL TO A CZECHOSLOVAK CORRESPONDENT
COMING TO THE US IN THE NEAR FUTURE, E.G., TO COVER THE
INAUGURATION. DCM COULD ALLUDE TO RECIPROCITY ANGLE

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